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SUBJECT: BRAILLE WATCHES

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1. EMBASSY COMMENDS ZALE CORPORATION FOR ITS GENEROUS DONATION OF BRAILLE WATCHES TO THE BLIND OF FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

2. IN VIEW OF FACT THAT JAPAN INSURES THAT HIGH-QUALITY BRAILLE WATCHES ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO ITS BLIND CITIZENS AT A MODEST FIXED PRICE (\$20), AND PROVIDES EACH GRADUATE OF TRAINING SCHOOLS FOR THE BLIND WITH A CASH STIPEND WITH WHICH TO PURCHASE A WATCH AND OTHER NEEDED ARTICLES, EMBASSY DOES NOT BELIEVE IT NECESSARY TO REQUEST ZALE WATCHES FOR JAPANESE BLIND. WE RECOGNIZE THAT THERE ARE PROBABLY POOR BLIND PEOPLE IN JAPAN WITHOUT WATCHES, BUT SITUATION HERE OBVIOUSLY MUCH BETTER THAN IN MANY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

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